

COMMUNITY NEWS



COMMUNITY GROWTH was celebrated Friday, July 8, when a groundbreaking ceremony was held for the upcoming construction of the new S & B Food Mart and Restaurant that will be built at the intersection of Alabama Highway 87 and Alabama Highway 134 near the Damascus and Ino communities. The new 5,000 square foot facility will be home to a full service convenience store and restaurant. Store owner, Tim Sanders, said the restaurant should accommodate seating for approximately 100 people. Construction of the building was set to start sometime this week, depending on Hurricane Dennis, and Sanders said hopefully it will be completed by the first of October. Joining Sanders (holding the shovel) for the groundbreaking ceremony were family, friends, employees and representatives of The Peoples Bank of Coffee County.

Applications for Miss C.C. Agriculture pageant available

Applications of Miss Coffee County Agriculture are now being taken. The deadline is July 18, 2005.

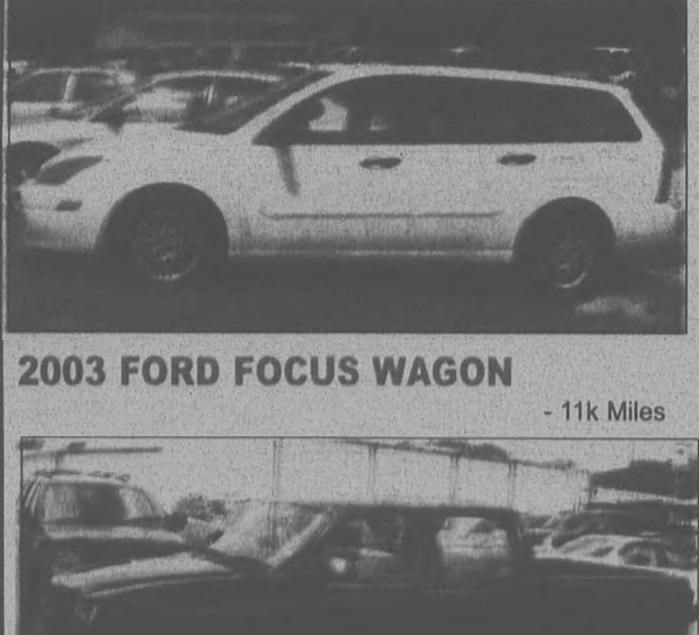
New Brockton Methodist Church VBS to be held July 18-22

New Brockton Methodist Church is planning a vacation bible school for Monday thru Friday July 18-22 from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. All children are invited to attend.

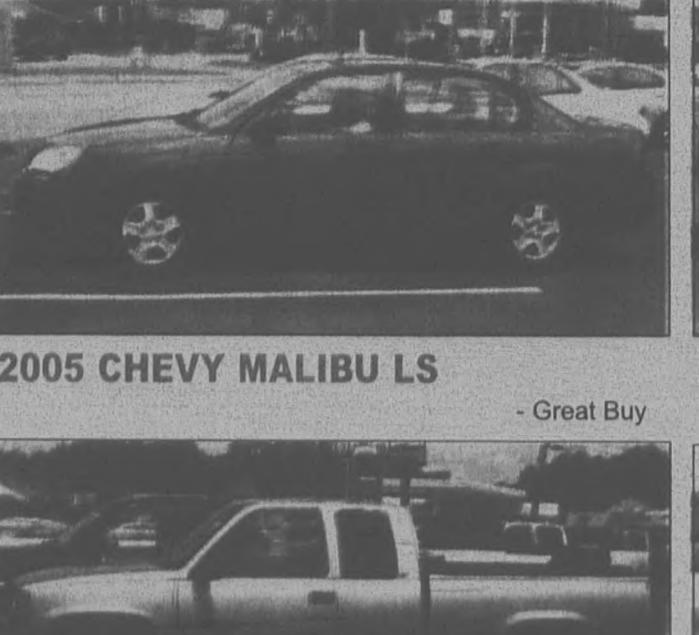


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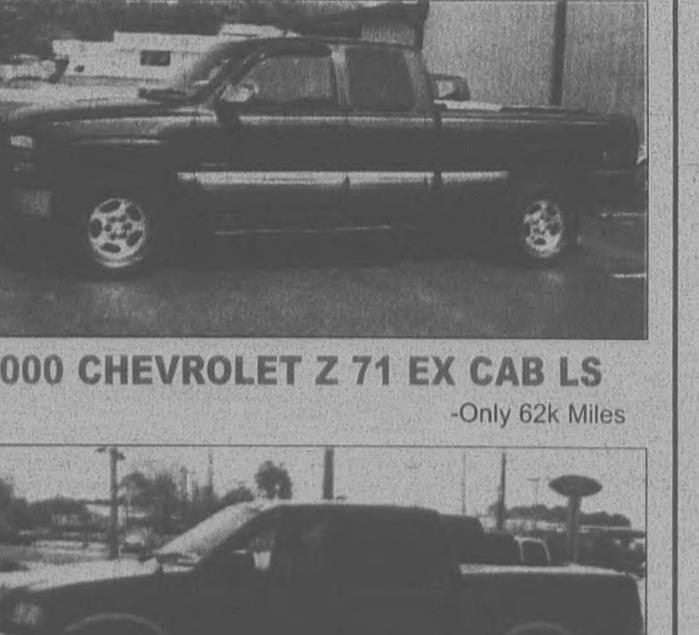
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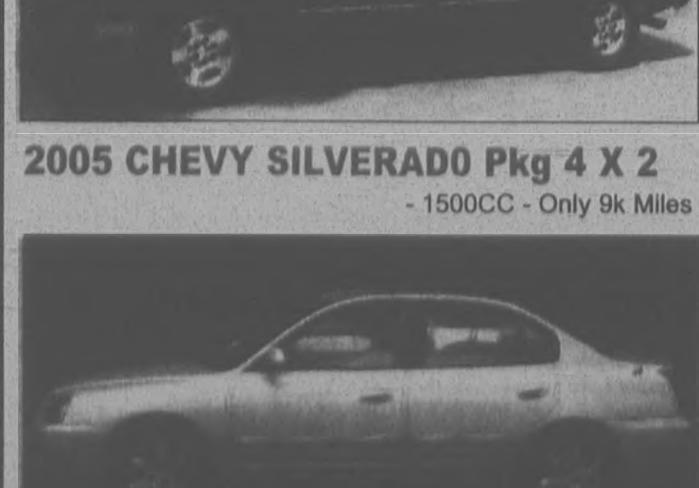
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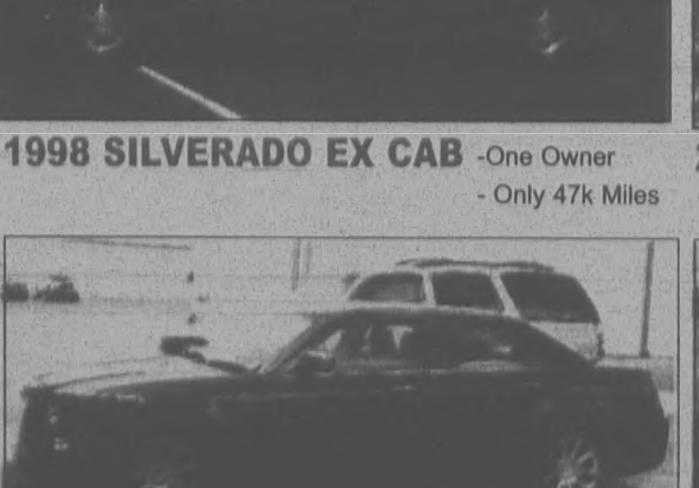
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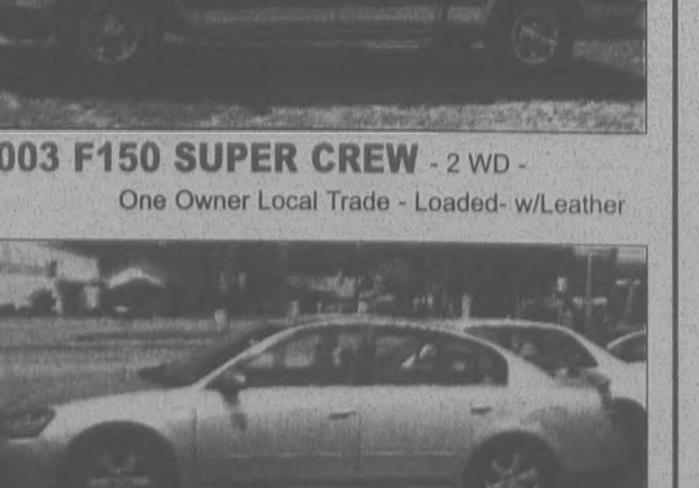
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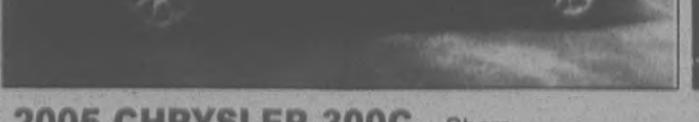
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AEC completes hurricane restoration efforts

By 6 p.m. Monday, July 11, Alabama Electric Cooperative (AEC) personnel and contract crews had successfully restored power to substations in AEC's transmission system that sustained damage caused by Hurricane Dennis.

Tuesday morning, crews were repairing the final sections of damaged line, replacing power poles and restoring insulators. The basic infrastructure should be repaired and all contract crews released today, according to Larry Avery, AEC vice president, engineering and operations.

"We still have a few leaning trees and limbs that need to be trimmed or removed, but we expect to have that completed within the next seven to 10 days," says Avery.

"All the support was excellent during Hurricane Dennis and the restoration process," says Avery. "This operation was managed very well, and we'd like to thank everyone who dedicated their time and efforts."

"While AEC's transmission system sustained minor damage, we recognize this could have been much worse," says Cathryn Gibson, AEC manager, corporate communication. "Our employees were prepared to respond to conditions expected to be much worse when it became apparent the storm was a threat to our service area. Our employees are to be commended for their commitment to safety and for their impressive response to restore power to our transmission system as quickly

as possible. We are extremely fortunate to have such a high-caliber group of employees."

Hurricane Dennis caused significantly less damage to AEC's transmission system than initially expected. The storm made landfall at 2:25 p.m. CDT Sunday on Santa Rosa Island, Fla., between Navarre Beach and Pensacola Beach as a Category 3 hurricane and then fizzled into a tropical depression by early Monday.

The majority of AEC's outages occurred in Clarke County, Ala.; Escambia County, Fla.; and Washington County, Ala. Approximately 100 AEC personnel and contract crew workers were dispatched for system

restoration efforts.

A Touchstone Energy® cooperative, Alabama Electric Cooperative is a \$1 billion generation and transmission cooperative headquartered in Andalusia, Ala. AEC's generating facilities include the James A. Vann Jr. Power Plant in Gantt, Ala.; the Charles R. Lowman Power Plant in Gantt, Ala.; the Maury A. McWilliams Steam Power Plant in McIntosh, Ala.; the Gantt and Point A hydroelectric plants on the Conecuh River in Alabama; the Portland Gas Turbine in Walton County, Fla.; and an ownership interest in the James H. Miller Electric Generating Plant in Birmingham, Ala.

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EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Elba rumbled Sunday and Monday as news spread of the unexpected death of former Elba football coach Mack Wood. The longest distance contact we personally received wanting confirmation was from Birmingham but there were bunches in between here and Birmingham. He touched a lot of people during his lifetime and it is a credit to the respect he - - well that he earned -- to have so many people respond as they have to this sudden death. He had gone home from some "minor" surgery and was doing well. Suddenly he began hurting, returned to the hospital and you know the rest of the story.

By now our readers know the tone of the Alabama legislature as they went back into special session hours Tuesday evening after this is being written. While there have been verbal dreams of them getting in and out of this session in five days - don't hold your breath that it will happen. That might have been possible with only the General Fund to consider, but the Governor's agenda for the called session has more than five days of work in it. Add in the bills (good ones and not-so good ones) individual lawmakers will introduce and it becomes a question of "will they pass anything?"

If you have tried every diet ever introduced and are still not happy with your weight, here is another, rather unusual diet. It may work, if you live. It is called the "fat diet." This one has dieters eating 100 nuts each day, thus the name. People will try this one and some will swear it works. However the real experts continue to tell us that a safe, sure diet is one which continues to be a balanced meal and cuts the calories intake to less than what is being burned up in a person's daily activities. Don't like that advice and the nutty diet doesn't work? . . . then there is the story of the lady who lost her excess weight by eating every meal at one of the fast food restaurant chains - a take off on the Subway advertisements. Now most folks would probably drop pounds at any one of those eating establishments. Eating the same thing day after day is probably rather boring, thus the lost interest in food equals lost appetite, fewer calories and fewer pounds.

Attorney General Troy King is not afraid to step into the lion's den. More than once we have heard reports of him taking action or positions contrary to the advice of political "experts." Last week he confirmed one of those stories as being the truth. He had been advised to NOT attend a certain convention because of bad blood over one of his stated positions. He not only went anyway, but again bucked the tide by ignoring advice to NOT mention that certain touchy subject. His positive spin on the matter gained him a standing ovation from the convention attendees - and ultimately, active, open support for his position from the organization. Now that is called taking lemons and making lemonade! Those who opine that Troy can't win a full term on his own, need to stop and listen to his talk and look back on the way he has handled the duties of the office while there. Does that mean everyone loves him; we doubt that. Jesus Christ was nailed to the cross, not because he was bad or even wrong, but because some felt he was a threat to their little applecart. Troy King is also a threat to some apples - . . . like maybe the ones trying to sell the rotten apples.

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, July 11, 2005, investigated the following incidents: one illegal possession of a debt card, two for domestic violence, one theft of property, one criminal mischief, one assault, one public intoxication, one found property, one lost phone, one possession of marijuana, one possession of a controlled substance, two for possession of drug paraphernalia, two for burglary, one disorderly conduct and one damage to property.

The following arrests were made: one for domestic violence, one for public intoxication, one for theft of property, one for possession of drug paraphernalia and one for disorderly conduct.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: two for reckless driving, two for a revoked driver's license, one for fleeing police, two for not wearing a seat belt, two for no driver license, two for non-performance, one for not using a child restraint, one for attempting to elude, one for speeding, one for no tag and two for an open container.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

MONDAY, JULY 11 - River stage - 10.35 feet (6:21 a.m.).

SATURDAY, JULY 16 - Coffe

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Coach Mack Wood not soon to be forgotten in Elba

by Linda Hodge, Editor

I got a call Sunday afternoon asking if I had heard anything about Coach Mack Wood. At the time, I had not heard anything so my response was, "No, Why do you ask?"

I could hardly believe it when I was told that rumor was had died earlier that morning. I began checking the story and unfortunately soon found the rumor to be true.

I myself, did not know Coach Wood on a personal level, but I certainly didn't feel that way upon learning the sad news this week.

Football at Elba High School existed long before Coach Wood came to our small town, but I am too young to know anything about those days. The very first memories I have of attending an Elba Tiger football game with my dad include Coach Mack Wood standing on the sidelines.

I can remember as a small child going to the games knowing exactly who Coach Wood was and understanding his importance to Elba's football team. It was like one of those lessons you're taught from the story of the lady who lost her excess weight by eating every meal at one of the fast food restaurant chains - a take off on the Subway advertisements. Now most folks would probably drop pounds at any one of those eating establishments. Eating the same thing day after day is probably rather boring, thus the lost interest in food equals lost appetite, fewer calories and fewer pounds.

One thing I will remember about Coach Wood is he seemed to demand and received respect from his players which ultimately led into the community. Whether you liked his methods or not, you understood what he was trying to accomplish and

he will be missed but never forgotten, especially on Friday nights at Tiger Stadium!

While the story in many

handle such a story? Suddenly, I was reminded of a book I read some time back, "Bleachers" written by author John Grisham in many ways reminds me of Elba's situation this week.

When a team led by Coach Mack Wood hit the field for competition, you knew it was going to be a hard-nosed, intense game with every player giving 110 percent.

What the players needed someone to stand up and defend them; you could count on Coach Wood to do just that. And, when the team seemed to have its back against the wall in competition, Coach always seemed to know exactly what to say to get them fired up and pushing just a little harder.

Only those who were there know exactly what was said in those huddles when Coach Wood would go on the field during a time out, but what it was his players always seemed to respond. Man, it was exciting!!

Since his retirement from Elba after the 1994 season, I can't think of a time when I've gone to an Elba football game and not heard someone speak of Coach Wood.

On a larger scale, his name may not be as recognizable as Paul "Bear" Bryant or Shug Jordan, but in Elba, Alabama Coach Mack Wood created a legacy I know will remain intact for years to come.

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Coach Mack Wood shown speaking during a pep rally held at Elba High School prior to the football team departing for the 1992 state championship game.

American Cancer Society encourages colorectal cancer testing

The American Cancer Society is raising awareness that the third most common cause of cancer and cancer death in both men and women in the United States is largely preventable.

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CHURCH & AREA NEWS

ELBA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENT ORIENTATION

Elba Elementary School will be hosting Parent Orientation prior to the beginning of school. Parents should accompany their child to school to meet his/her new teacher and other faculty members and to attend a short orientation program. Students may bring their supplies for the year at this time. Parents will be introduced to the school's new reading program, Reading Mastery Plus, and will receive valuable information concerning school policies and programs for the year. All parents and students are encouraged to attend this important meeting. For more information you may contact

PASTOR'S CORNER ROLANDA P. JONES Youth Bible Instructor Greater New Zion Baptist Church

When I was a little girl, my mom would always stress the importance of prayer. We had family prayer every Monday night. Two of the ladies from the church, Sister Shipman and Sister Wade would come over seem like every other day to pray. They would have even each one of us pray. I couldn't understand why so much prayer. They had an unwavering belief that God would answer their prayers. My mom lived on the principle that if you developed a close personal relationship with God, he would hear your prayers and answer them. She never doubted God.

My mom believed according to Matthew 21:22-23 "Verily, I say unto you, If you have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but you shall say unto the mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done. And all things whatsoever ye ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive." The word mountain should not be taken literally. Your mountain could be anything from needing a better understanding of God's word to needing strength to get through hard times. Whatever your mountain may be if you have a firm belief in God and never doubt that he will answer, your mountain will be cast into the sea (removed out of our way).

In our nation today we have many mountains that need casting into the sea. We are living in a time where prayer is much needed. We are at war in Iraq (some of us have loved ones over there); we have terrorists attacks happening (people willing to commit suicide to hurt someone else); we have children going missing (disappearing never to be found); and the list can go on and on. When you look at things from the natural eye, things may seem as if they are out of control. If you look through the spiritual eye, they are not. When the whole world seems to be falling apart, God can keep us together. "The Lord is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth." God, who satisfies all comprehension, will guide your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:5-7). Through prayer God can give us peace in the midst of it all. We have to trust him (walk by faith not by sight). Trust in him at all times. O people: Pour out your heart before him. God is a refuge for us (Psalms 62:8). My people it is a time for Prayer.

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SAMSON, Ala.

Rev. Herbert S. Pastor

Mon. Worship.....10:00 a.m.

Upper Worship.....10:00 a.m.

Wed. Night Service.....7:00 p.m.

Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.

Alberton Baptist Church

Bethel Strickland, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.

Basin Baptist Church

Samuel Carroll - Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Even. Service.....5:30 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.

Bethel African Methodist

Episcopal Church

Elba Phillips-Cope, Pastor

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Bethel Chapel, Pastor

David Caldwell, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

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Bluff Springs Baptist

Church

Tom Sean, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

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Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.

Brooklyn Baptist Church

Robert Davis, Pastor

Sunday School.....10:00 a.m.

Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m.

Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.

Chestnut Grove Methodist

Rev. Martha Bates

Church

10:00 a.m.

2nd & 4th Sundays

9:00 a.m.

1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays

10:00 a.m.

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9:00 a.m.

Church of Jesus Christ

Elba Hill, Minister

10:00 a.m.

Mon. Worship.....12:00 noon

1st, 3rd, 5th & 8th Sundays

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9:45 a.m.

Worship.....10:00 a.m.

Even. Service.....6:00 p.m.

Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal and Children's Activities).....6:00 p.m.

St. Beulah Missionary Baptist Church to be in revival services

The St. Beulah Missionary Baptist Church will be observing their Annual Revival Services throughout Friday, July 22 at 7 p.m.

The guest minister is the Rev. Melvin Owens of Mt. Zion of Lafayette, Ala.

Congregational Community Family Day planned at Mt. Olive Baptist Church

A "Congregational Community Day" is planned for Saturday, August 6, 2005 starting at 8 a.m. (at the beginning of Jump Start); First grade-Thursday, August 4 at 5:30; Second grade-Tuesday, August 2, at 6:00; Third grade-Thursday, August 4 at 5:00; Fourth grade-Tuesday, August 2 at 5:30; Fifth grade-Thursday, August 4 at 6:00; and Sixth grade-Thursday, August 4 at 6:00.

Mt. Olive is located in the Pine Level Community, Elba. For more information, please contact Renita Bowers, 527-3585.

Johns Chapel AME Church to celebrate anniversary Sunday, July 24

Members of the Johns Chapel AME Church, 841 Geneva Highway in Enterprise, will celebrate their church anniversary on Sunday, July 24 at 10:45 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Members of the congregation will lead the order of service during the morning worship services, and music will be provided by the Sounds of Joy Fellowship Choir. The afternoon message will be brought by the Reverend Horace J. Fitchard, Jr., pastor of St. Paul AME Church in Ozark. Pastor Fitchard is a dynamic and insightful messenger of God and is known for his inspiring and thought-provoking messages. The Annual Revival Services will be held on July 25-27 at 7:00 p.m.

Jackie Banks, Pastor of the New Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Lanett, Alabama, bringing the revival messages. Dr. Banks, a gifted preacher and vocalist, is a former member of the original Soul Stirrers of Chicago and is a lead singer of the Five Trumpets of Columbus, Georgia. The Five Trumpets, comprised of preachers and other church officers, have presented several concerts in the Enterprise area over the past several months. Pastor Carl McDaniel invites everyone to come out for a day of old-fashioned fellowship.

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***REVIVAL:

Homecoming and revival services will be held at the Star of Hope MB Church of Luverne, Ala. Homecoming will be July 24, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. with Pastor Michael Foster, pastor of Bethlehem MB Church of Greenville, Ala. Revival services will be held July 25-29, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. The evangelist of the week will be Rev. A.R. Williams, pastor of Rocky Head MB Church, Elba and Shiloh MB Church (Tarentum Community) of Brundidge, Ala. Homecoming and revival services will be held at the Friendship Baptist Church in Glenwood, Alabama. The Homecoming celebration will be Sunday, July 24, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. Guest speaker will be Rev. Eddie Stallworth of Brewton, Ala. Revival services will be held July 25-29, 2005 with the evangelist of the week being Rev. James Lloyd of Sweet Water Baptist Church in Highland Home, Ala. Bethlehem Baptist Church will be holding their Homecoming and revival services at 2:00 p.m. at 2:30. The evangelist will be Rev. L.C. McMullins of Troy, Ala. The revival services will be at 7:00 p.m. right.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Gail Murph Cooley graduates summa cum laude from Mt. Leo University



Gail Murph Cooley-valeteditorian and Sheriff David Gee

Brandi Mathews graduates from Emory University

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Group of 2005 Zion Chapel Senior class members enjoy cruise

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The young adults who took part in this trip represented themselves, their family, school and community in a very dignified manner. They are commended for their conduct and actions. Everyone had a great time.

Students on this cruise were Meta Gallin, Kenna Roberts, Jamie Wise, Adam Spear, Bill Blidlow, Clay Lewis, Jeile Flowers, Luke Taylor and Roy King.

Adults on this cruise were Glen and Gail Gallin, Chris Lowery, Philip and Stacey Roberts, Danny and Jan Lewis, Siburlin Modlin, and Buddy and Selena King.

Drew Floyd makes All Stars team in Millbrook

Drew Floyd made All Stars. He played with the Millbrook Dodgers. He is the son of Heather and Bob Floyd of Millbrook and the great-grandson of R.D. and Lessie Harrison of Elba.

Senior World Group to host Medicare Seminar in Dothan

In an effort to help area residents understand upcoming Medicare changes, the Senior World Group of Dothan will host a free Medicare seminar at Troy University Wednesday, July 20. The information session, which is co-sponsored by the Social Security Administration in Dothan, begins at 9:00 a.m. in Sony Hall on the Dothan Campus. To register, or for more information, contact the Troy University Continuing Education Center at 334-983-0005.

EOCC to give GED Test

Due to a large demand, Enterprise-Ozark Community College has set an additional date for qualified persons to take the GED Test of High School Equivalency. The new date is July 19, the cost of taking the test is \$50. The EOCC testing center is limited to 20 persons per testing date. Pre-registration is required, and the deadline is 4:30 p.m., July 18. For more information, contact Dr. Nancy Smith at 334-347-2623, ext. 2295.

Sam Floyd wins medal in gymnastics

Sam Floyd was in gymnastics in Prattville. He won a blue ribbon and medal in the playoffs. Sam is the son of Heather and Bob Floyd of Millbrook and the great-grandson of R.D. and Lessie Harrison of Elba.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Sasser-Johnson wedding set for Saturday, July 23rd

David (Doc) and Brenda Johnson announce the forthcoming marriage of Randy Sasser to their daughter Crystal Ann Johnson.

Randy Sasser is the son of James and Pat Kelley of Andalusia and W. Randy Sasser of Opp, and the grandson of Leamuel Killingsworth of Brantley and the late Eunice Killingsworth; Evelyn Sasser of Springville, and the late George W. Sasser.

Randy attended Straughn High School and is employed in Elba.

Crystal is the mother of Kayla, Dalton and Avery. She is the daughter of Brenda Kay and David (Doc) Johnson of Elba, and the granddaughter of Charlie and Nettie Hudson of Elba, Zadie Johnson of Elba and the late Allen Johnson.

Crystal attended Elba High School.

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SPORTS

Views From.... THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Hurricane Dennis may not have done much property damage in this part of the state, but at the Mauldin house we lost a few trees and suffered storm related injuries when both my wife and I were apparently bitten by spiders when cleaning out the garage and later moving limbs from the yard. My wife's bite landed her in the hospital and left her with several long days of recovery. I never really paid much attention to spiders in the past, but you can bet now I will keep an eye open and be ready to act whenever one comes around.

FOR IT IS WORTH...

*** The Elba Tiger football family was shocked and deeply saddened over the weekend to learn of the sudden passing of Coach Mack Wood. Coach Wood had entered the hospital earlier in the week for minor surgery and had been released, but was readmitted after complications led to surgery and died early Sunday morning. Coach Wood was the all-time winningest football coach in the history of Elba High School and led the Tigers to a pair of state championships and two runner-up finishes in his long and stellar career at Elba, and last season was honored with a plaque in the field at Tiger Stadium was named "Coach Mack Wood Field." I considered myself to be a very close friend of Coach Wood when he was at Elba High and have stayed in touch since his retirement, and his sudden passing left me speechless and in disbelief. I guess I still remember the hard nosed football coach that pushed his players to be the best they could be and find it hard to believe that he could be beaten by anything, much less an illness. It will take me a long time to get over his passing, but I will never forget all the good times we shared on the sidelines and in the coaches office and I am thankful that the decision was made to name the field after him while he was still alive. The honor brought him to tears on that Friday night on "Coach Mack Wood Field," and I am sure more tears will trickle down the faces of many Tiger fans this coming season when they enter the stadium and look at the sign that bears his name.

*** Former Elba Tiger football standout Gavin Mauldin has been named a team captain for the upcoming 2005 football season at Tusculum College, in Greeneville, Tennessee. Pioneer head football coach Frank DeBartolo, a former All-American and four defensive captain in early summer, and former All-American was included on the honored list. Mauldin, a 6'7, 200-pound defensive lineman, played in the final nine games of the season last year as a sophomore and during his career at Tusculum has been named to the South Atlantic Conference "Commissioner's Honor Roll" and the Athletic Director's "Honor Roll." Gavin is the son of Jeff and Teresa Mauldin and is making a name for himself at the collegiate level at both the football field and in the classroom.

*** The Elba Dixie Boys All-Stars both saw their seasons come to an end last week at the District Tournament, in Troy. The 13-year-olds played hard in both games they played, but ran out of gas late in both games and were eliminated after two straight defeats while the 14-year-olds won two games before falling to eventual champion Troy. Both teams represented their league well and the 14-year-olds closed out tournament play with a 7-2 record, a sub-district title and the "Sportsmanship Award" from the district tournament. Not a bad all-star experience.

*** In closing... I read an article last week in The Mobile Register concerning a kicking clinic held the week before at Gulf Shores and the fact only five high school players showed up for the camp only reinforced my belief that the kicking game is now being overlooked at both the high school and college level. The clinic was conducted by Larry Bidner, an All-American footballer back in high school, a three-year letterman at Michigan State and a former college coach at Michigan State, Pittsburgh, Colorado and New Mexico, and as Bidner stated in the interview, "One out of five plays in a football game is a special team's play." That fact has been overlooked recently at many high schools. Elba High included, where in junior high games there are no kickoffs and no punting. Years ago youngsters learned how to punt when they were still in junior high and carried the skills over to high school. Now a player may be a sophomore before he even tries to punt or kick a football. The next time you attend a high school game and see a punter shank one or boot one twenty yards remember what I wrote. I know that you have to score to win and that defense wins ballgames, but the kicking game is a lost art that can and will win games along the way.

Place third at district

Dixie Boys All-Stars win two and lose two

The Elba Dixie Boys 14-Year Old All-Stars saw their quest for a state tournament berth fall one win short last week when they posted a 2-2 record at the Dixie Boys District Baseball Tournament to place third in the seven-team event.

"This group of young men really worked hard during the past six weeks and won seven of the nine games they played in all-star competition," stated Coach Greg Corder. "Our goal was to make it to state, and even though we fell one win short, it was a great run for these guys and they gained a lot of experience they will be able to use as they continue their baseball careers in high school. I enjoyed coaching the players and want to thank them, the assistant coaches and the parents for their support."

Following are highlights of district tournament:

DOOTHAN AM. 9

ELBA 5

The Elba All-Stars fell behind 5-0 early and never recovered in a 9-5 opening round loss to the Dothan Americans.

Elba got out of an early jam when Dothan put runners on second and third with one out in the bottom of the first, but Dothan came right back in the second and combined two hits with one walk and three errors to plate five runs to end up with a big 10-1 advantage.

Richard Cooks reached on an error to ignite the second inning fireworks, while walks to Joe Davis and Andrew Head loaded the bases with no outs. Matt Brunson followed with a two-run single to put Elba back on top 3-1, while Justin Winters, Dylan McCollough, Bradley Wilson, and AJ Johnson all delivered RBI singles as Elba circled the bases behind the seven straight hits and ended out to a 10-1 lead.

Luvnerne plated a run in the bottom of the second to cut the lead to 10-2, but Elba wasn't about to let its opponents get back in the game and plated three runs in the third and bottom of the third the Elba All-Stars were very much alive.

Dothan combined one hit with two walks in the top of the fourth to extend its lead to 10-3, only to see Elba stage another rally to cut the lead to 7-4 with key hits being RBI singles by Bradley Wilson, AJ Johnson and Ethan Mount. The fourth inning run came when Dylan McCollough reached on a walk, stole second and then raced home on an RBI single by AJ Johnson.

Dothan scored one run in the bottom of the fifth without needing a hit to up its lead to 8-4, but Elba again answered the challenge and cut back into the lead in the top of the sixth. A lead-off single by Trey Knight and an RBI double by Justin Winters resulted in the Elba run. However, the All-Stars missed the opportunity to cut into the lead even more as they left the bases loaded.

Dothan added an insurance run in the bottom of the frame and held on to hand Elba the 9-5 defeat.

ELBA 17

LUVERNE 7

The Elba All-Stars met Luvnerne for the third time in all-star competition in a second round elimination contest and for the third straight time had little trouble as they rolled to a big 17-7 win.

Elba got out of an early jam when Luvnerne put runners on second and third with one out in the bottom of the first, but Luvnerne answered the early Elba run and scored one run on three hits in the bottom of the first to pull even at 1-1.

The score didn't stay at 1-1 for very long; however, as Elba came back to the plate in the bottom of the second and combined seven hits with two walks to plate nine runs and grabbed a big 10-1 advantage.

Richard Cooks reached on an error to ignite the second inning fireworks, while walks to Joe Davis and Andrew Head loaded the bases with no outs. Matt Brunson followed with a two-run single to put Elba back on top 3-1, while Justin Winters, Dylan McCollough, Bradley Wilson, and AJ Johnson all delivered RBI singles as Elba circled the bases behind the seven straight hits and ended out to a 10-1 lead.

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COME ON IN.... a catcher for the Elba Dixie Boys All-Stars waits at home plate for a base runner in tournament action. (Photo by Laura Baxley)

Dylan McCollough had 4 hits and scored 3 runs to lead Elba at the plate, while Bradley Wilson added 5 runs in the sixth to put an end to the game with the 13-2 advantage.

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BIG SWING.... a batter for the Elba Dixie Boys 14-Year-Old All-Stars takes a big swing during recent all-star action. (Photo by Laura Baxley)

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SPORTS

At Dixie Boys tournament

Elba All-Stars suffer two straight losses

The Elba Dixie Boys 13-Year-Old All-Stars competed last week at the District Dixie Boys Baseball Tournament, in Troy, and dropped two straight games to place fifth in the seven-team event.

Following are highlights of the tournament action:

ENTERPRISE 8

ELBA 1

The Elba All-Stars battled Enterprise in opening round action and held their own through four innings before falling 8-1.

Enterprise took advantage of two errors in the bottom of the first inning to grab an early 1-0 lead, but Elba pitcher Kevin Allen handcuffed the Enterprise batters for the next three innings and allowed no runs on only two hits. Elba then scored very much in the same fashion only 1-0 after four innings.

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